## Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as noted below, without prejudice to subsequent renewal. The listing of claims below replaced all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

- 1. (Withdrawn) A four helical bundle (4HB) polypeptide comprising one or more non-naturally encoded amino acids.
- 2. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the 4HB polypeptide comprises one or more post-translational modifications.
- 3. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide is linked to a linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule.
- 4. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 3, wherein the polypeptide is linked to a water soluble polymer.
- 5. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide is linked to a bifunctional polymer, bifunctional linker, or at least one additional 4HB polypeptide.
- 6. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 5, wherein the bifunctional linker or bifunctional polymer is linked to a second polypeptide.
- 7. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 6, wherein the second polypeptide is a 4HB polypeptide.
- 8. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 4, wherein the water soluble polymer comprises a poly(ethylene glycol) moiety.
- 9. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 4, wherein said water soluble polymer is linked to a non-naturally encoded amino acid present in said 4HB polypeptide.
- 10. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, selected from the group consisting of G-CSF, erythropoietin, interferon, and growth hormone.
- 11. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the 4HB polypeptide comprises one or more amino acid substitution, addition or deletion that modulates affinity of the 4HB polypeptide for a 4HB receptor.

- 12. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the 4HB polypeptide comprises one or more amino acid substitution, addition or deletion that increases the stability or solubility of the 4HB polypeptide.
- 13. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the 4HB polypeptide comprises one or more amino acid substitution, addition or deletion that increases the expression of the 4HB polypeptide in a recombinant host cell or synthesized in vitro.
- 14. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the 4HB polypeptide comprises one or more amino acid substitution, addition or deletion that increases protease resistance of the 4HB polypeptide.
- 15. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid is reactive toward a linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule that is otherwise unreactive toward any of the 20 common amino acids in the polypeptide.
- 16. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises a carbonyl group, an aminooxy group, a hydrazine group, a hydrazide group, a semicarbazide group, an azide group, or an alkyne group.
- 17. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 16, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises a carbonyl group.
- 18. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 17, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid has the structure:

$$R_3HN$$
 $(CH_2)_nR_1COR_2$ 
 $COR_4$ 

wherein n is 0-10; R1 is an alkyl, aryl, substituted alkyl, or substituted aryl; R2 is H, an alkyl, aryl, substituted alkyl, and substituted aryl; and R3 is H, an amino acid, a

polypeptide, or an amino terminus modification group, and R4 is H, an amino acid, a polypeptide, or a carboxy terminus modification group.

- 19. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 16, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises an aminooxy group.
- 20. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 16, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises a hydrazide group.
- 21. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 16, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises a hydrazine group.
- 22. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 16, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid residue comprises a semicarbazide group.
- 23. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 16, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid residue comprises an azide group.
- 24. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 23, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid has the structure:

$$(CH_2)_nR_1X(CH_2)_mN_3$$
 $R_2HN$ 
 $COR_3$ 

wherein n is 0-10; R1 is an alkyl, aryl, substituted alkyl, substituted aryl or not present; X is O, N, S or not present; m is 0-10; R2 is H, an amino acid, a polypeptide, or an amino terminus modification group, and R3 is H, an amino acid, a polypeptide, or a carboxy terminus modification group.

- 25. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 16, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises an alkyne group.
- 26. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 25, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid has the structure:

$$(CH_2)_nR_1X(CH_2)_mCCH$$
 $R_2HN$ 
 $COR_3$ 

wherein n is 0-10; R1 is an alkyl, aryl, substituted alkyl, or substituted aryl; X is O, N, S or not present; m is 0-10, R2 is H, an amino acid, a polypeptide, or an amino terminus modification group, and R3 is H, an amino acid, a polypeptide, or a carboxy terminus modification group.

- 27. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 4, wherein the water soluble polymer has a molecular weight of between about 0.1 kDa and about 100 kDa.
- 28. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 27, wherein the water soluble polymer has a molecular weight of between about 0.1 kDa and about 50 kDa.
- 29. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 4, which is made by reacting a 4HB polypeptide comprising a carbonyl-containing amino acid with a water soluble polymer comprising an aminooxy, hydrazine, hydrazide or semicarbazide group.
- 30. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 29, wherein the aminooxy, hydrazine, hydrazide or semicarbazide group is linked to the water soluble polymer through an amide linkage.
- 31. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 4, which is made by reacting a water soluble polymer comprising a carbonyl group with a polypeptide comprising a non-naturally encoded amino acid that comprises an aminooxy, a hydrazine, a hydrazide or a semicarbazide group.
- 32. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 4, which is made by reacting a 4HB polypeptide comprising an alkyne-containing amino acid with a water soluble polymer comprising an azide moiety.
- 33. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 4, which is made by reacting a 4HB polypeptide comprising an azide-containing amino acid with a water soluble polymer comprising an alkyne moiety.

- 34. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 16, wherein the azide or alkyne group is linked to a water soluble polymer through an amide linkage.
- 35. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 4, wherein the water soluble polymer is a branched or multiarmed polymer.
- 36. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 35, wherein each branch of the branched polymer has a molecular weight of between about 1 kDa and about 100 kDa.
- 37. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide is a 4HB antagonist.
- 38. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 37, wherein the polypeptide comprises one or more post-translational modification, linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule.
- 39. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 38, wherein the polymer comprises a moiety selected from a group consisting of a water soluble polymer and poly(ethylene glycol).
- 40. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide according to claim 37, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid is present within the Site II region of the 4HB polypeptide.
- 41. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide according to claim 37, wherein the polypeptide prevents dimerization of a 4HB receptor.
- 42. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises a saccharide moiety.
- 43. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 3, wherein the linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule is linked to the polypeptide via a saccharide moiety.
- 44. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid comprising a polynucleotide that encodes a <u>four helical bundle (4HB)</u> polypeptide, wherein the polynucleotide comprises at least one selector codon <u>that efficiently and selectively recognizes</u>

  <u>an orthogonal translation system and wherein the 4HB polypeptide is chosen</u>

## from the group consisting of human growth hormone, interferon, erythropoietin, and granulocyte cell stimulating factor.

- 45. (Previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of claim 44, wherein the selector codon is selected from the group consisting of an amber codon, ochre codon, opal codon, a unique codon, a rare codon, and a four-base codon.
- 46. (Withdrawn) A method of making the 4HB polypeptide of claim 3, the method comprising contacting an isolated 4HB polypeptide comprising a non-naturally encoded amino acid with a linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule comprising a moiety that reacts with the non-naturally encoded amino acid.
- 47. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 46, wherein the polymer comprises a moiety selected from a group consisting of a water soluble polymer and a poly(ethylene glycol).
- 48. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 46, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises a carbonyl group, an aminooxy group, a hydrazide group, a hydrazine group, a semicarbazide group, an azide group, or an alkyne group.
- 49. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 46, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises a carbonyl moiety and the linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule comprises an aminooxy, a hydrazine, a hydrazide or a semicarbazide moiety.
- 50. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 49, wherein the aminooxy, hydrazine, hydrazide or semicarbazide moiety is linked to the linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule through an amide linkage.
- (Withdrawn) The method of claim 46, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid residue comprises an alkyne moiety and the linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule comprises an azide moiety.
- 52. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 46, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid residue comprises an azide moiety and the linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule comprises an alkyne moiety.

- 53. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 48, wherein the azide or alkyne moiety is linked to a linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule through an amide linkage.
- 54. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 47, wherein the poly(ethylene glycol) moiety has an average molecular weight of between about 0.1 kDa and about 100 kDa.
- 55. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 47, wherein the poly(ethylene glycol) moiety is a branched or multiarmed polymer.
- 56. (Withdrawn) A composition comprising the 4HB polypeptide of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 57. (Withdrawn) The composition of claim 56, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid is linked to a water soluble polymer.
- 58. (Withdrawn) A method of treating a patient having a disorder modulated by 4HB comprising administering to the patient a therapeutically-effective amount of the composition of claim 56.
- 59. (Currently Amended) An isolated cell comprising the nucleic acid of claim 44.
- 60. (Currently Amended) The <u>isolated</u> cell of claim 59, wherein the cell comprises an orthogonal tRNA synthetase or an orthogonal tRNA.
- 61. (Currently Amended) A method of making a <u>four helical bundle</u> (4HB) polypeptide, <u>wherein the 4HB polypeptide is chosen from the group consisting of human growth hormone, interferon, erythropoietin, and granulocyte cell stimulating factor comprising a <u>ribosomally incorporated</u> non-naturally encoded amino acid, <u>wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid has a ketone, alkyne, or azide functional side group,</u> the method comprising, culturing cells comprising a polynucleotide or polynucleotides encoding a 4HB polypeptide and comprising a selector codon, an orthogonal RNA synthetase and an orthogonal tRNA under conditions to permit expression of the 4HB polypeptide.</u>

- 62. (Withdrawn) A method of increasing serum half-life or circulation time of a 4HB polypeptide, the method comprising substituting one or more non-naturally encoded amino acids for any one or more naturally occurring amino acids in the 4HB polypeptide.
- 63. (Withdrawn) A 4HB polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide, wherein said polynucleotide comprises a selector codon, and wherein said polypeptide comprises at least one non-naturally encoded amino acid.
- 64. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 63, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid is linked to a linker, polymer, water soluble polymer, or biologically active molecule.
- 65. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 64, wherein the water soluble polymer comprises a poly(ethylene glycol) moiety.
- 66. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 63, wherein the non-naturally encoded amino acid comprises a carbonyl group, an aminooxy group, a hydrazide group, a hydrazine group, a semicarbazide group, an azide group, or an alkyne group.
- 67. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 65, wherein the poly(ethylene glycol) moiety has a molecular weight of between about 0.1 kDa and about 100 kDa.
- 68. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 65, wherein the poly(ethylene glycol) moiety is a branched or multiarmed polymer.
- 69. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 68, wherein the poly(ethylene glycol) moiety has a molecular weight of between about 1 kDa and about 100 kDa.
- 70. (Withdrawn) A composition comprising the 4HB polypeptide of claim 63 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

- 71. (Withdrawn) A 4HB polypeptide comprising one or more amino acid substitution, addition or deletion that increases the expression of the 4HB polypeptide in a recombinant host cell.
- 72. (Withdrawn) A 4HB polypeptide comprising a water soluble polymer linked by a covalent bond to the 4HB polypeptide at a single amino acid.
- 73. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 72, wherein the water soluble polymer comprises a poly(ethylene glycol) moiety.
- 74. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 72, wherein the amino acid covalently linked to the water soluble polymer is a non-naturally encoded amino acid.
- 75. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 10 wherein said non-naturally encoded amino acid is linked to a poly(ethylene glycol) molecule.
- 76. (Withdrawn) A polypeptide comprising at least one linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule, wherein said linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule is attached to the polypeptide through a functional group of a non-naturally encoded amino acid ribosomally incorporated into the polypeptide.
- 77. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 76, wherein said polypeptide is monoPEGylated.
- 78. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 76, wherein said polypeptide is a 4HB polypeptide.
- 79. (Withdrawn) A polypeptide comprising a linker, polymer, or biologically active molecule that is attached to one or more non-naturally encoded amino acid wherein said non-naturally encoded amino acid is ribosomally incorporated into the polypeptide at pre-selected sites.

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- 80. (Withdrawn) The polypeptide of claim 79, wherein said polypeptide is a 4HB polypeptide.
- 81. (Withdrawn) The 4 HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the 4HB polypeptide comprises one or more amino acid substitution, addition, or deletion that modulates immunogenicity of the 4HB polypeptide.
- 82. (Withdrawn) The 4HB polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the 4HB polypeptide comprises one or more amino acid substitution, addition, or deletion that modulates serum half-life or circulation time of the 4HB polypeptide.
- 83. (Withdrawn) A method of modulating immunogenicity of a 4HB polypeptide, the method comprising substituting one or more non-naturally encoded amino acids for any one or more naturally occurring amino acids in the 4HB polypeptide.